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In re Application of  Jian Chen, et al.  Serial No.: 09/854,280  Filed: May 10, 2001  For: <i>IL-17 Homologous Polypeptides and Therapeutic Uses Thereof</i>	Group Art Unit: 1646  Examiner: JIANG, DONG  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p style="text-align: center;"><b>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</b></p><p><small>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on</small></p><p style="text-align: center;">October 24, 2002</p><p style="text-align: center;"> Teri Lee</p></div>
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action (Paper No. 11) mailed herein on September 20, 2002, a response to which is due on December 20, 2002, thereby making this a timely response.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-0630.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 61-67 and Claims 70-71 as follows:

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but not
61. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule which comprises DNA having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
- (a) a nucleotide sequence that encodes amino acid residues 1 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,
  - (b) a nucleotide sequence that encodes amino acid residues 19 to 197 of SEQ ID NO:3,
  - (c) the nucleotide sequence from position 50 to 640 of SEQ ID NO:4,